REMARKS

The claims have been amended to delete multiple dependencies, thereby reducing the overall filing cost, and to place them into proper U.S. claim format. The claims included herewith are those set forth in response to the Written Opinion and annexed to the IPER. No new matter has been added.

The marked-up and clean substitute specifications submitted herewith include paragraph numbering, the introductory paragraph labelled "Cross-Reference to Related Applications," the final paragraph and other informal changes to place the application in proper U.S. format. No new matter has been added.

Prosecution on the merits hereof is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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